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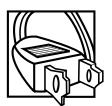
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### **Product Registration**

Please fill out the product registration card and return it immediately. Returning the card allows us to contact you if needed.

Keep your sales receipt to obtain warranty parts and service and for proof of purchase. Attach it here and record the serial and model numbers in case you need them. The numbers are located on the back of the product.

Model No. \_\_\_\_\_

Serial No.

Purchase Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dealer/Address/Phone:

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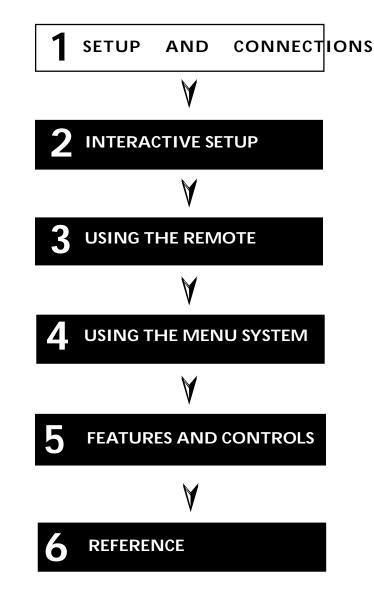
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### **GETTING STARTED**

This manual is designed to get you started quickly. The first five sections of the manual show you how to get your TV set up and connected, run the Interactive Setup, program the remote, and use all of the menus, features, and controls of your TV.

The reference section in the back of the book contains troubleshooting tips, care and cleaning instructions, accessory ordering information and your warranty.

Well... if your TV's out of the box, let's get started.



Check out the notes that have been added throughout the manual in these tip boxes. There are some important tips that will help you get the most from your TV.

# **STEP 1: UNPACK THE TV**

Make sure to locate the remote control.

# **STEP 2: CONNECT YOUR TV**

There are three types of connections outlined in this section:

TV Only:	If you're only going to connect the TV to your home antenna or cable system.
The Basic Connection:	If you're going to connect the TV to a VCR or satellite receiver.
Advanced Connections:	If you're going to make multiple connections, hooking up the TV to a VCR and a satellite receiver.

Cable information and illustrations are given for each type of connection. Once you have completed your desired connection you may skip forward to Step 3.

# TV ONLY

This is a basic connection from an antenna or cable system to your TV. Connect the cable into the Cable/Antenna jack as shown.

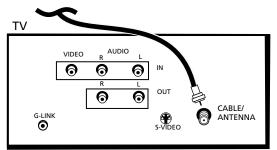
### Cables

You will use the following cable to make your connection:



**Coaxial Cable**: These cables carry audio and video signals to the TV from an antenna, cable, or cable box.

### CABLE, CABLE BOX, OR ANTENNA



Once you have completed this connection you may go to Step 3.

### **Important Stand Information**

CAUTION: Choose the location for your TV carefully. Take precautions that the stand or other furniture on which the TV is placed is properly located (see Important Safeguards sheet) and of adequate size and strength to prevent the TV from accidentally being tipped over, pushed off, or pulled off. This could cause damage to the TV and/or personal injury.

# **Before You Connect**

Protect against power surges:

- Connect all components before plugging any power cords into the wall outlet.
- Turn off the TV and/or component before connecting or disconnecting any cables.
- Make sure all antennas and cables are properly grounded. Refer to the Important Safeguards sheet packed with your TV.

Please note that the S-VIDEO and Audio R and L OUT jacks are not available for models F20625 and F19625.

### THE BASIC CONNECTION

The basic connection below (TV and VCR) is the most common connection and is therefore used to illustrate a single component connection with your TV. For better sound and picture quality and multiple component connection information refer to the next section, *Advanced Connections*.

### Cables

You will use the following type of cable to make your connection:

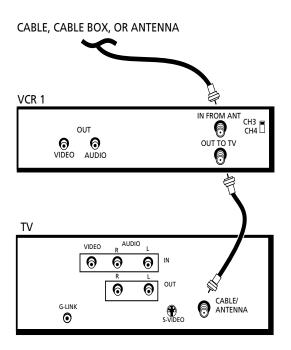


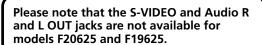
**Coaxial Cables**: In this connection, two Coaxial Cables are used: one connects from an antenna, cable, or cable box to the VCR, and one connects from the VCR to the TV. These cables carry both audio and video signals.

### How to View the VCR

To watch the VCR in this connection tune TV to Channel 3 or 4.

Later, in the *Interactive Setup* section you will program the TV to automatically tune to Channel 3 or 4 when you turn on the VCR.





Once you have completed this connection you may skip to Step 3.

# **ADVANCED CONNECTIONS**

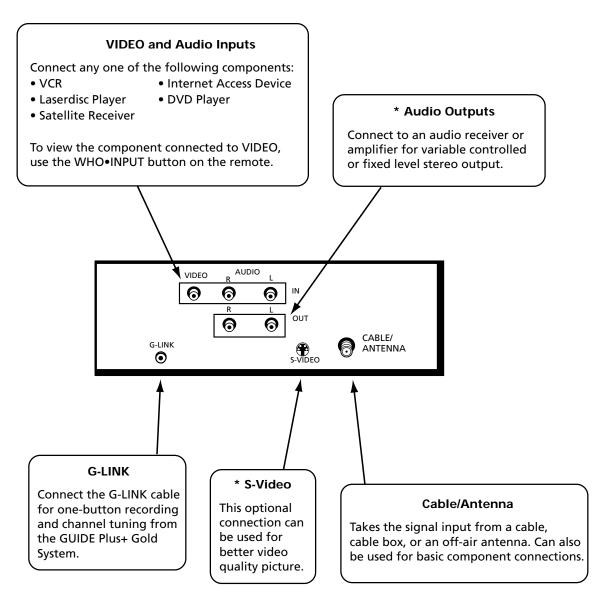
Advanced connections give you better sound and video by separating the audio and video signals and enabling you to connect multiple components.

This section describes the types of inputs available on the back of your TV and suggests ways you can use them for optimum performance.

### Back of the TV

The diagram below describes each of the back panel jacks. When connecting A/V cables, be sure to connect corresponding OUTPUTS and INPUTS (Video to Video, Right Audio to Right Audio, etc.).

Once you have made your connections, you will need to program the TV to tune to the correct video input channel in order to see and hear audio and video from a component such as a VCR or DVD player. You will program this later in the *Interactive Setup*.



\* These jacks are not available for models F19625 and F20625.

# SAMPLE CONNECTIONS

The following are sample connection scenarios you may encounter when connecting components to your TV. Note: if you connect an S-VIDEO cable, you must also connect an Audio/Video cable to the AUDIO R and L jacks.

### Cables

You will use the following types of cables to make your connection:



**Coaxial Cables**: Carries the signal from the antenna or cable directly to the television or through a cable box, as needed by your cable system.



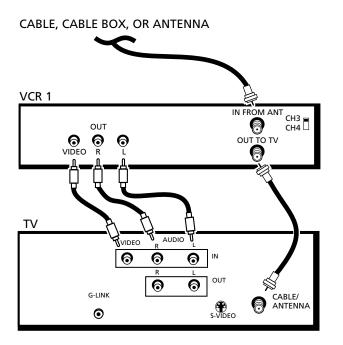
**Audio/Video Cables**: Carries audio and video from a component to the TV.



**S-Video Cable**: Carries video from an S-Video capable component which provides best picture quality.

### **TV and Stereo VCR**

Compared to the Basic Connection, using Audio/Video and S-Video (if available) cables will enhance the sound and picture quality from a component.



### **Cautions:**

Position cables to avoid audio hum or interference

- Insert all cables firmly into jacks.
- Place the audio/video cables to the sides of the TV's back panel instead of straight down the middle.
- Try not to coil any twin-lead cables and keep them away from the audio/video cables.

Protect your components from overheating

- Do not block ventilation holes in any of the components. Arrange the components so that air can circulate freely.
- Do not stack components.
- Allow adequate ventilation when placing your components in a stand.
- Place an amplifier on the top shelf of the stand so heated air rising from it will not flow around other components.

### How to View Your VCR

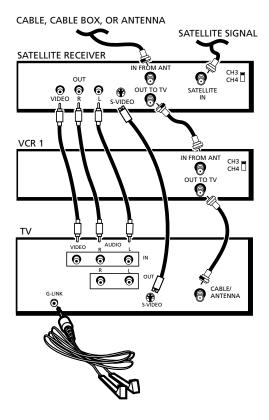
To watch the VCR in this connection, press TV to put the remote control into TV mode, then press WHO•INPUT to toggle to the video (VID) inputs.

In the *Interactive Setup* section you can program the TV to automatically tune to the VID input channel when you turn on the VCR.

Most Audio/Video cables are combined into one cable with three heads on each end. We show individual cables in these sample Vide<u>o (yel</u>low) connections. Either Ъ may be used, but Right Audio (red) you must be sure to Ъ connect Video to eft Audio (white) Video, Right to Right ▫╴┍ and Left to Left.

Please note that the S-VIDEO and Audio R and L OUT jacks are not available for models F20625 and F19625.

# TV, VCR and Satellite Receiver



### How to View Your Components

To watch the satellite receiver in this connection, press TV to put the remote control into TV mode, then press WHO•INPUT to scroll through the video input channels until you tune to VID (or SVID) input.

To watch the VCR in this connection, enter 03 to tune to the VCR channel.

In the *Interactive Setup* you can program the TV to automatically tune to the correct input channel when you turn on your component.

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# **STEP 3: CONNECT THE G-LINK CABLE**

The G-LINK cable enables the Guide Plus+ system (the on-screen guide that lists what shows are on TV) to work with your VCR and/or cable box.

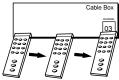
**Cable Box** – If your TV is connected to a cable box and you don't connect the G-LINK cable, no channels will be listed in the on-screen program guide.

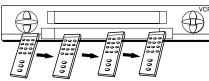
**VCR** – If your TV is connected to a VCR and you don't connect the G-LINK cable, one-touch recording won't work. The other features of the guide will work properly.

# HOW TO FIND THE REMOTE CONTROL SENSOR

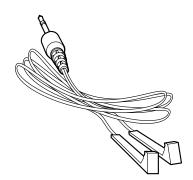
You have to place the G-LINK wands in front of the remote control sensor on the VCR and/or cable box. Some cable boxes and VCRs have the remote control sensor labeled on the unit. If the remote sensor isn't labeled on your VCR and/or cable box, you need to use the remote control that came with the VCR and/or cable box to locate the sensor.

- 1. Turn off the VCR and/or cable box.
- 2. Hold the remote control (**not** the one that came with your TV, but the one that came with the cable box and/or VCR to which you're connecting the G-LINK cable) so it is touching the front of the component.
- Slowly move the remote control across the front of the component (VCR or cable box) while you press the power button on and off. You must press and release the power button each time you move the remote (holding down the button won't work).





- 4. When the component turns on, you've located the remote control sensor.
- 5. Place the wands of the G-LINK cable underneath your VCR and/or cable box (see instructions on right).



The G-LINK cable is used to send commands to your VCR and/or cable box. You must remove the DEMO PIN before you can connect the G-LINK cable.

# Placing the Wands Under the VCR and/or Cable Box

Place the wands of the G-LINK cable underneath your VCR and/or cable box. Place them about one inch away from the remote control sensor.

# STEP 4: PLUG IN THE TV

Plug the end into the wall outlet, matching the wide blade of the plug with the wide slot in the outlet. Be sure to insert the plug completely.

# STEP 5: PLACE BATTERIES IN THE REMOTE

- Remove the battery compartment cover from the back of the remote.
- Insert fresh batteries. Make sure that the polarities (+ and -) are aligned correctly.
- Replace the cover.

# **STEP 6: TURN ON THE TV**

Press TV on the remote, or press POWER on the TV itself.

Pressing the TV button not only turns on the TV, but puts the remote into TV mode, so that the buttons on the remote will control TV functions.

# **ON-SCREEN PROGRAM GUIDE**

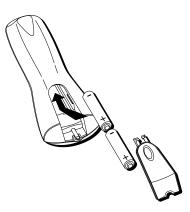
The TV is designed to bring up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold on-screen program guide when you use the TV button on the remote to turn on the TV (after you have set up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System). For more information on setting up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System, see the next section, *Interactive Setup*.

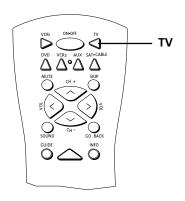
### To get out of the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System:

- Press OK to exit the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System and tune to the highlighted channel.
- Press GUIDE to exit the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System and tune to the channel displayed in the View window.
- Press CLEAR to exit the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System and go to the last channel you were watching.

# STEP 7: PROGRAM THE TV

Proceed to the next section, *Interactive Setup*. The interactive setup routine walks you through the steps needed to fully configure the TV.

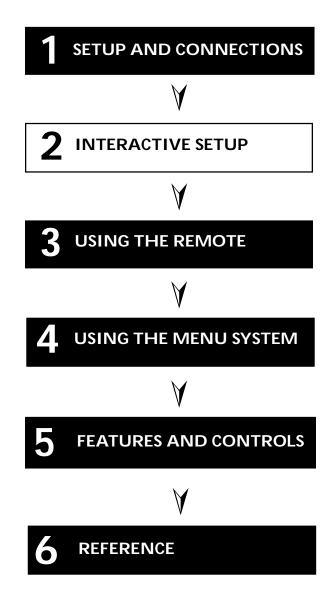




### THERE'S AN ON-SCREEN SETUP ROUTINE

The interactive setup routine helps you through the steps needed to configure the TV and set up the GUIDE Plus+Gold menu system:

- Select a menu language
- Search for available channels
- Set up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System
- Set the time
- Set up the VCR1 channel
- Set up the VCR2 channel
- Set up the DVD channel
- Set up the SAT/CABLE channel
- Make the channel list and labels



# USING POINT AND SELECT

You only need to know one rule when using the remote to access onscreen menus and control panels: point and select. The point and select method has two steps.

1. **Point** to a menu item using the MOVE arrows on the remote.

To point up or down, press the up or down arrows. To point left or right, press the left or right arrows.

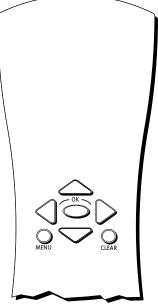
2. Select a menu item by pressing MENU or OK.

Selecting an item tells the TV's menu system to go ahead and make the change or go to a place you have indicated.

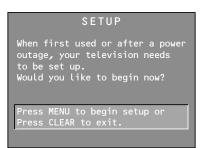
# **ENTERING SETUP**

The first screen of the Interactive Setup appears automatically when you turn on your TV for the first time or after a power outage.

1. Press MENU to begin setup or CLEAR to exit.



Point and Select buttons



You can also access the Interactive Setup through the Main menu:

1. Press MENU to bring up the Main menu.

	TV MAIN MENU
1	Audio
2	Picture Quality
3	Screen
4	Picture Quality Screen Channel
5	Time
6	Parental Controls
7	GUIDE Plus+ Menu
8	Setup
0	Exit

2. Point to *Setup* and press MENU or OK. The first Setup screen comes up, asking you to confirm that you want to begin.

You can also select a menu item by entering the item number with the number buttons on the remote.

Press CLEAR at any time to remove all displays from the screen and return to TV viewing.

Many VCR user manuals refer to a PROGRAM button. The MENU button on this remote works as a PROGRAM button in VCR mode. Other manuals may refer to a SELECT button. The OK button on this remote works as a SELECT button.



3. Point to Begin setup now and press MENU or OK.

# SELECTING A LANGUAGE

The first part of the setup routine asks you to select your preferred language for the menu system.



- 1. Point to your preferred language for the menu system.
- 2. Press MENU or OK to select that language.

# **AUTO CHANNEL SEARCH**

The next part of the setup routine asks you if you want the TV to search for all channels viewable through your antenna or cable TV system. This is sometimes called "auto programming." Note that the Auto Channel Search will not be available if the GUIDE Plus+ System is set up with a cable box configuration. When GUIDE Plus+ is set up for a cable box, channels 1-99 are automatically put in the channel list.

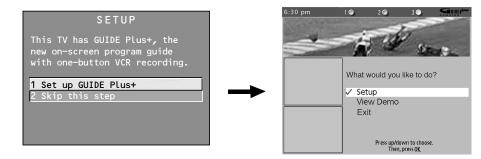


 Press MENU or OK to tell the TV to begin searching for channels. The display gives you a progress report and tells you when it has finished. If you skip Auto Channel Search now, you can access it later through the Channel menu. See *Using the Menu System* for more details.

# THE GUIDE Plus+ GOLD SYSTEM

The next step lets you set up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System to display your local program listings, and control your cable box and VCR.

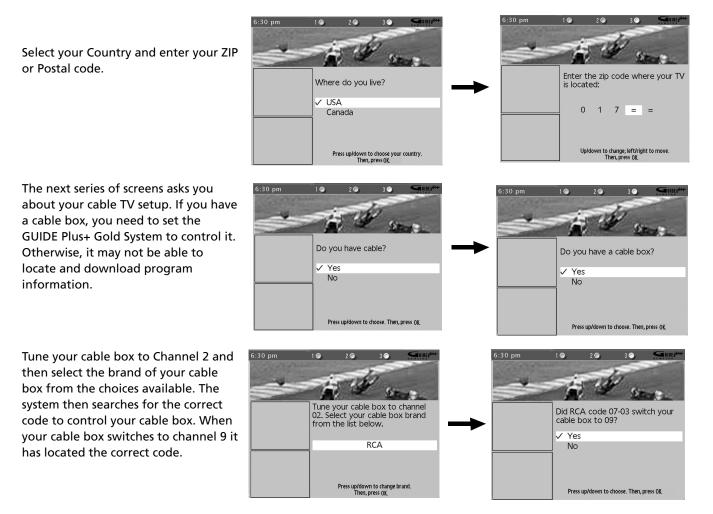
You can either press MENU or OK to bring up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold initial menu or point to *Skip this Step* to move to the next step in the Interactive Setup.



You can set up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System during Interactive Setup or by selecting the *GUIDE Plus+ Menu* from the Main Menu.

### SETTING UP THE GUIDE Plus+ GOLD SYSTEM

To complete GUIDE Plus+ Gold setup, the G-LINK cable wands must be properly aligned with your cable box and VCR if you have them. Refer to the *Setup and Connections* section for additional information.



Select YES if the cable box changed to channel 9, or NO if it did not. If you select NO, the system will try another code.

If the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System cannot recognize either your cable box or VCR after several tries, a screen stating "Cable Box (VCR) test failed... Please consult your manual and try again" appears. You have a choice to either Try Again or Skip Cable Box Setup. If you get this message, you should also:

- Double check the brand of your cable box or VCR, and try entering it again.
- Check to make sure the G-LINK cable wands are positioned correctly.

If you choose to skip the cable box (or VCR) setup some features of the guide may not be available until you successfully complete this procedure.

Select cable box output channel:

0/AUX

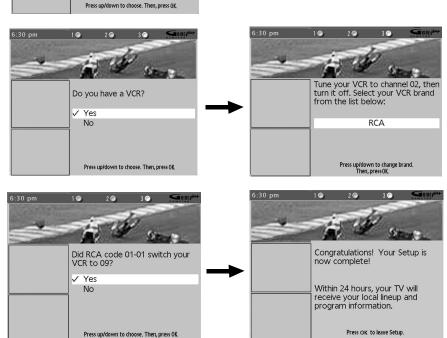
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Once the correct model of cable box (or VCR) has been identified, you need to set the cable box's output channel. Enter the channel you use to view channels through your cable box—usually 3 or 4. Consult your cable box's instruction book or your cable company if you are not sure. Choose *0* to use VIDEO INPUT.

Select YES if you have a VCR, or NO if not. (Answering NO automatically skips forward to the end of GUIDE Plus+ Gold setup.) Tune your VCR to channel 2 and turn it off. Enter the brand of your VCR.

When the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System correctly identifies the correct code for your VCR, the VCR's tuner changes to channel 9. Select YES if the VCR automatically changed to channel 9, or NO if it did not. If you select NO, the system will try another code.

The last screen comes up when you've successfully finished the GUIDE Plus+ Gold setup.



### Remember:

- Leave your cable box turned ON to download program information.
- Leave your VCR turned OFF to record programs.

Press OK to leave the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System setup and either return to the TV's Interactive Setup or the Main Menu. For more information about the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System, see the section *Features and Controls*.

# SETTING THE TIME

The next step in the Interactive Setup lets you set the time of day. If your GUIDE Plus+ Gold System has not completed its first download, you need to set the time. Once the system has completed its first download, it sets the time for you automatically.



1. Press MENU or OK to bring up the Set Time control panel.

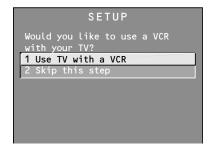


- 2. Use the left and right arrows to point to the hour and minutes spaces. Use the digits to enter the numbers and the up and down arrows to change from AM to PM.
- 3. Press MENU or OK to continue.

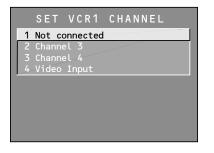
# SETTING THE VCR1 CHANNEL (AUTO TUNING)

The next step lets you set the VCR1 channel. When you set the VCR1 channel, you're telling the TV what channel to tune to when you press the VCR1 button on the remote. This is called auto tuning.

Indicate which input you used to connect the VCR. If you don't have a VCR1 component connected to the TV, skip this step or select *Not Connected* from the VCR1 Channel choice list. (For more, see Auto Tuning in the *Using the Menu System* section.)



1. Press MENU or OK to bring up the VCR1 choice list.



- 2. Point to the choice that matches the way you have your VCR connected to the TV.
- 3. Press MENU or OK to continue.

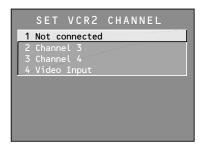
# SETTING THE VCR2 CHANNEL (AUTO TUNING)

The next step lets you set the VCR2 channel. When you set the VCR2 channel, you're telling the TV what channel to tune to when you press the VCR2 button on the remote.

Indicate which input you used to connect a second VCR. If you don't have a second VCR component connected to the TV, skip this step or select *Not Connected* from the VCR2 Channel choice list. (For more, see Auto Tuning in the *Using the Menu System* section.)



1. Press MENU or OK to bring up the VCR2 choice list.



- 2. Point to the choice that matches the way you have your second VCR connected to the TV.
- 3. Press MENU or OK to continue.

# SETTING THE DVD CHANNEL (AUTO TUNING)

The next step lets you set the DVD channel. When you set the DVD channel, you're telling the TV what channel to tune to when you press the DVD button on the remote.

Indicate which input you used to connect a DVD player. If you don't have a DVD player connected to the TV, skip this step or select *Not Connected* from the DVD Channel choice list. (For more, see Auto Tuning in the *Using the Menu System* section.)



1. Press MENU or OK to bring up the DVD choice list.

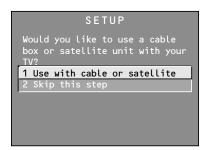


- 2. Point to the choice that matches the way you have your DVD player connected to the TV.
- 3. Press MENU or OK to continue.

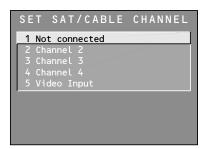
# SETTING THE SAT/CABLE CHANNEL (AUTO TUNING)

The next step lets you set the SAT/CABLE channel. When you set the SAT/CABLE channel, you're telling the TV what channel to tune to when you press the SAT•CABLE button on the remote.

Indicate which input you used to connect a satellite receiver or a cable box. If you don't have a satellite receiver or cable box connected to the TV, skip this step or select *Not Connected* from the SAT/CABLE Channel choice list. (For more, see Auto Tuning in the *Using the Menu System* section.)



1. Press MENU or OK to bring up the SAT/CABLE choice list.



- 2. Choose how the TV and satellite receiver or cable box are connected.
- 3. Press MENU or OK to continue.

# LABELING THE CHANNELS

This last step in the Interactive Setup lets you edit your channel list and label your channels. (For more, see List and Labels in the *Using the Menu System* section.)



Use the CH ^ (channel up) or CH v (channel down) buttons to change channels in the Channel # field. This works even if you're not in the Channel # field. Or, enter the channel number directly using the number buttons on the universal remote. To enter a number greater than 99, press and hold "1" to enter the hundreds digit, then press the two remaining numbers.

The list and labels feature can also be accessed from the Channel menu. Because this procedure can be time consuming, feel free to skip this step and come back to it later.

1. Press MENU or OK to bring up the List and Labels control panel.

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- 2. Use the left and right arrows to point to the three different areas of the control panel (called "fields").
- 3. Use the up and down arrows to scroll through the numbers and letters and select *Yes* or *No* in the Normal List field. You may wish to refer to the call letters listed in your newspaper's TV section for ideas on labeling the channels.
- 4. Repeat this process for each of your channels. Then press MENU or OK to continue. The TV can store up to 27 labels in memory.

# WHAT NOW?

Now that you've finished the interactive setup, you can sit back, relax, and enjoy the TV. Or...

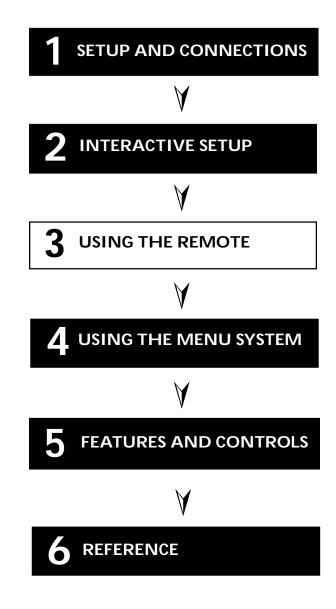
### **PROGRAM THE REMOTE**

Since you've gone this far, you can take a few minutes to program the remote to control your VCR, DVD player, satellite receiver, or other components. To find out how to program the remote, go to the next section.

### HOW TO USE YOUR UNIVERSAL REMOTE

This section defines the buttons of the remote and how to program it to control other components.

The universal remote can be programmed to control most brands of remote controllable VCRs, satellite receivers, and cable boxes. If you have an RCA, GE, or PROSCAN component, you probably don't need to program it at all.



### **Modes of Operation**

Because this universal remote can control several different components (DVD player, VCR, cable box, etc.), it uses operational modes triggered by the component buttons. For example if you want the remote to control the TV, you would press the TV button to put the remote into TV mode before you could control the TV.

# **REMOTE BUTTONS**

**ON**•**OFF** When in TV mode, turns TV on and off. If in another device mode (VCR, DVD, Satellite, etc.) and programmed, will turn the device on and off. When pressed twice within two seconds, all devices that are on will be turned off (this feature only works with most RCA, GE, and PROSCAN products).

**VCR1** Puts the remote in VCR mode and if auto tuning is enabled, it will turn on the TV and tune to the correct channel.

**TV** Turns on the TV and puts the remote in TV mode. Also displays channel information.

**DVD** Puts the remote in DVD mode and if Auto Tuning is enabled, it will turn on the TV and tune to the correct channel.

**VCR2** Puts the remote in VCR2 mode and if Auto Tuning is enabled, it will turn on the TV and tune to the correct channel.

**LED** Red light that indicates programming mode when programming the remote. Also displays when a valid remote button is pressed.

**AUX** When pressed, will turn on the RCA, GE, or PROSCAN component you have programmed it to control. Also turns on the TV if Auto Tuning is enabled. Puts the remote in AUX mode to control a device that has been programmed (VCR, RCA audio component, etc.).

**SAT•CABLE** Puts the remote in SAT•CABLE mode and if Auto Tuning is enabled, it will turn on the TV and tune to the correct channel.

**MUTE** Reduces the TV's volume to its minimum level. Press again to restore the volume.

**SKIP** Press once before changing channels and the TV will wait 30 seconds before returning you to the original channel. Press repeatedly to add more time.

CH  $^{\circ}$  or CH  $\nu$  Scans up or down through the current channel list. Press once to change the channel up or down; press and hold to continue changing channels.

**VOL< or VOL>** Decreases or increases the TV's volume.

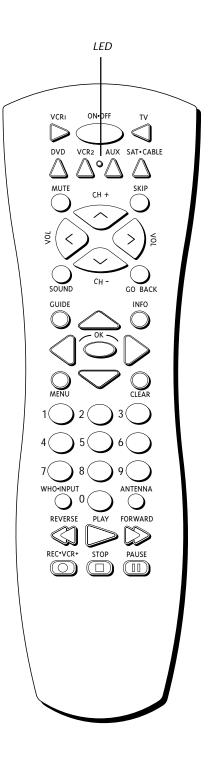
**SOUND** Press once to display the audio processor choice list. Point and select to choose a different processor or press CLEAR to exit.

GO BACK Returns you to the previous channel.

**GUIDE** Brings up and exits the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System. When used with an RCA, GE, or PROSCAN component and in SAT•CABLE mode, brings up available on-screen guides.

**INFO** Brings up channel information.

**MOVE (Arrows)** Used to point to different items in the menu system. Also used to adjust the menu controls.



**OK** When in the menu system, selects highlighted items or returns you to the previous menu.

**MENU** Brings up the Main menu and selects highlighted items. When in VCR mode, it functions as a PROGRAM button.

**CLEAR** Removes any menu or display from the screen and returns you to TV viewing. Also exits the GUIDE Plus+ Gold menu system.

**(0-9) Number Buttons** Enters channel numbers, digits for programming the remote, and time settings directly though the remote control. To enter a two-digit channel, press the two digits. To enter a three-digit channel, press and hold the first digit, release, then add the second two. Example: to tune to channel 123, press and hold 1, release, press 2, then press 3.

**WHO**•INPUT In TV mode, press to toggle through the available input sources (VID/SVID and the current channel). When using an RCA, GE, or PROSCAN satellite receiver and in SAT mode, press to select available channel lists.

**ANTENNA** Functions as TV/VCR button in VCR mode. When used with an RCA, GE, or PROSCAN satellite receiver or cable box, ANTENNA functions as a TV/receiver button in SAT•CABLE mode.

**REVERSE**, **PLAY**, **FORWARD**, **REC**•VCR+, **STOP**, **PAUSE** If programmed, provides transport control for some remote-controllable VCRs, DVD players, laserdisc players, tape decks, and CD players. Pressing REC•VCR+ when using the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System sets the VCR to record a program.

### **USING THE WHO-INPUT BUTTON**

Use the WHO•INPUT button to toggle through the available input sources (VID and the current channel) and view the component you have connected to the TV.

- 1. Press TV to place the remote in TV mode. Make sure that the component you want to view is turned ON.
- 2. Press WHO•INPUT to tune to the available input source and view the component.
- 3. Press WHO•INPUT again to tune back to the channel you were previously watching.

### **Modes of Operation**

Because this universal remote can control several different components (DVD player, VCR, cable box, etc.), it uses operational modes triggered by the component buttons. For example if you want the remote to control the TV, you would press the TV button to put the remote into TV mode before you could control the TV.

# **PROGRAMMING THE REMOTE**

The universal remote can be programmed to control most brands of remote controllable VCRs, satellite receivers and cable boxes. The remote is already programmed to control most RCA, GE and PROSCAN TVs, VCRs, DVD players, laserdisc players and satellite receivers.

### **TESTING THE REMOTE**

To determine whether the universal remote needs to be programmed, turn a device ON, such as a VCR, point the remote at the VCR, and press the VCR1 button. Then press ON•OFF or CH + (channel up) or CH - (channel down) to see if the VCR responds to the remote commands. If not, the remote needs to be programmed.

### **PROGRAMMING THE REMOTE**

### Using Automatic Code Search

The following instructions can be used to program the remote to control each of the devices connected to your TV. If you want to exit the automatic code search without programming any of your devices, press and hold CLEAR until the LED turns off.

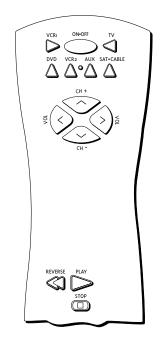
- 1. Turn on the device you want to control (VCR, SAT, etc.).
- Press and hold the button you want to program (VCR1, VCR2, etc.). Note that the AUX button can only be programmed using direct code entry. (See the next section for details.) While holding the device button, press and hold ON•OFF until the red light on the remote turns on, then release both buttons.
- 3. Point the remote at the device, press and release PLAY, then wait five seconds or until the LED stops flashing.

At this point the remote is searching for the correct code to program. If, after five seconds, the device you want to control does not turn off, press PLAY again to tell the remote to search the next set of codes.

Continue pressing PLAY until the device turns off or you have searched through all of the codes. There are 20 total sets of codes. If the device does not turn off after pressing PLAY 20 times, then the remote cannot control that particular device.

If the device you want to control does turn off:

- 1. Press and release REVERSE, then wait two seconds. Repeat this step until the device turns back ON.
- 2. To finish, press and hold STOP until the red light on the remote turns off.



You'll use these buttons when you program the remote to control any device.

The remote may not operate all models of all brands.

### **Using Direct Entry**

- 1. Turn on the component to be programmed.
- 2. Look up the brand and code number(s) for the component on the code list on the last page of this section, *Using the Remote*.
- 3. Press and hold the button on the remote you want to program.
- 4. Enter the code from the code list.
- 5. Release button, and then press ON•OFF to see if the component responds to the remote commands. If it doesn't, try pressing the component button and then ON•OFF again.
- If you get no response, repeat these steps using the next code listed for your brand, until the component responds to the remote commands.

### USING THE REMOTE TO CONTROL A DEVICE

Once the remote has been programmed successfully, you are ready to use it to control your devices. To operate the device:

- 1. Press the device button (TV, VCR1, VCR2, DVD, AUX, or SAT•CABLE) to set the remote to control the device.
- 2. Press ON•OFF to turn the device ON or OFF.
- 3. Use the remote buttons that apply to that device.

### MODES OF OPERATION

Because this universal remote can control several different components (DVD player, VCR, cable box, etc.) it uses operational modes triggered by the component buttons. For example, if you want the remote to control the TV, you would press the TV button to put the remote into TV mode before you could control the TV.

# **FRONT PANEL**

If you cannot locate your remote you can use the front panel of your TV to operate many of the TV's features.

**MENU** Brings up the Main menu. When in the menu system, it selects highlighted items. Also returns you to the previous menu.

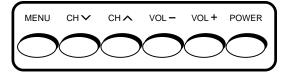
 $\mathbf{CH}~\mathbf{v}$  Scans down through the current channel list. In the menu system, it points down to items and adjusts menu controls.

**CH** ^ Scans up through the channel list. In the menu system, it points up to items and adjusts menu controls.

**VOL** – Decreases the volume. When in the menu system, VOL – is used to point left to items and adjust menu controls.

**VOL** + Increases the volume. When in the menu system, VOL + is used to point right to items and adjust menu controls.

POWER Turns the TV on and off.



### The front panel above shows a typical button layout. The exact look of the buttons may be different from those on the front of your TV.

The front panel block feature disables all front panel buttons if Parental Controls are locked. For more information, see Parental Controls in the *Features and Controls* section.

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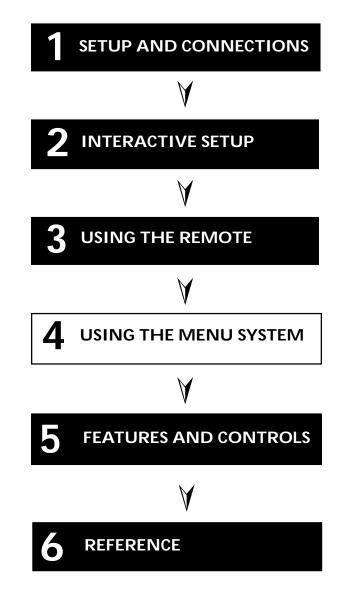
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# THE MENU SYSTEM

This section explores the menus of your TV—beginning with some information on using menus and control panels.

Each menu is then outlined and special features are detailed to help you get the most from your TV.



# MENUS AND CONTROL PANELS

Using the buttons on both the remote and front panel enable you to access and make changes to the menus, control panels, and choice lists.

Menus and choice lists use the point and select rule to navigate, but control panels use a variety of methods to adjust features on your TV. The following pages detail how to use these controls to customize the functions of your TV.

### MENUS

The first menu is called the Main menu. Press MENU on the remote or on the front panel to bring up the Main menu:



Menus take you to another menu or a control panel. There are two ways to select a choice in a menu:

- Point with the arrows and then select with MENU or OK.
- Press a number button on the remote. For example, in the Main menu press 3 to go straight to the Screen menu.

### **Exiting** a menu

There are three ways to exit a menu:

- Point to Exit and press MENU or OK.
- Press 0 on the remote.
- Press CLEAR. The on-screen displays are cleared from the screen and you return to TV viewing.

### **CONTROL PANELS**

Control panels allow you to adjust the default settings on many features of your TV. You can choose a setting, enter a number, or adjust a level such as tint or brightness. There are three types of control panels: sliders, choice lists, and numeric entry.

Feel free to explore the menu system. If you're ever unsure where you are in the menu system, or you're just plain tired of exploring, press CLEAR to remove the menus from the screen and start over again.

### Sliders

Sliders are used to make adjustments to a particular control.

To use a Slider in a menu:

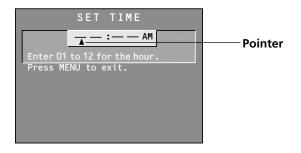
- 1. Press the up or down arrow to select the slider control for the feature you want to adjust.
- 2. Press the right or left arrow to adjust the indicator line on the slider.

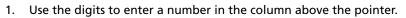
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Press MENU to ex	it.

### **Numeric Entry**

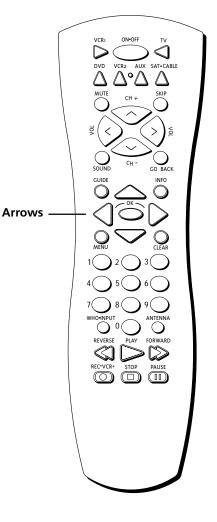
A numeric entry control panel is used to enter numbers or letters.

A pointer appears underneath the column you are changing.





- 2. Press the right arrow to move to the next column, then use the digits to enter a number.
- 3. When you have finished entering information, press MENU or OK.



If the control panel is not set to the current time, use the arrows to go back over the columns and the digits to make changes.

You can also enter numbers by using the up and down arrows on the remote.

# **CHOICE LISTS**

Choice lists are used to choose a particular setting from a list. When the choice list appears, the highlighted item is the one that is currently selected, or "in use."

Point to *a choice on a menu and* press MENU or OK to select that choice. You will then return to the previous screen.

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3 CC3
4 CC4
5 Text 1
6 Text 2
7 Text 3
8 Text 4

Now that you know how to access the menus and adjust the control panels the following pages provide a brief explanation of all the menu features. The features are organized in order of their location on the Main Menu.

# **AUDIO MENU**

**Mute** Press OK to reduce the TV's volume to its minimum level. Press OK again to restore the volume.

**Tone Controls** Displays the slider controls for adjusting the TV's treble, bass and balance.

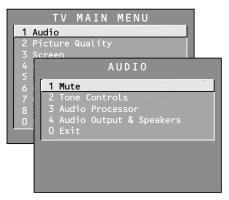
**Audio Processor** Displays a choice list of available audio modes, which control the way the sound comes through your speakers.

**Mono** Plays the sound in mono only. Use this setting when receiving broadcasts with weak stereo signals.

**Stereo** Splits the incoming stereo audio signal into left and right channels. Most TV programs and recorded materials have stereo audio. The TV displays the word STEREO when you tune to a program that is broadcast in stereo.

**Expanded Stereo** Electronically "widens" sound from stereo broadcasts, stereo VCRs, digital satellite systems, DVD players, and LaserDisc players for a fuller, more spacious sound.

**Sound Logic**<sup>™</sup> **Stereo** Reduces the annoying blasts in volume during commercial breaks, and also amplifies softer sounds in program material. Eliminates the need to constantly adjust volume control.



Note that the Audio Output & Speakers option is not available on models F19625 and F20625.

Second Audio Program (SAP) Plays the program's audio in a second language, if one is available. The TV displays the word SAP when you tune to a program that is broadcast with SAP information. SAP audio is broadcast in mono. SAP is also used to broadcast a program's audio with descriptions of the video for the visually impaired.

\* Audio Output & Speakers Displays a choice list that lets you turn the TV's internal speakers on or off and set the audio outputs to fixed-level or variable control level.

Variable Output, Speakers On This setting turns the TV's speakers on and allows variable output from the TV's audio output jacks.

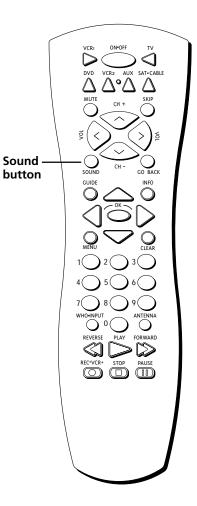
Variable Output, Speakers Off This setting turns the TV's speakers off and allows variable output from the TV's audio output jacks.

**Fixed Output**, **Speakers Off** This setting turns the TV's speakers off and allows fixed output from the TV's audio output jacks to an external device such as a surround sound amplifier. With Fixed Output On, the TV's volume control, tone controls and mute are disabled.

# USING THE REMOTE TO SELECT AN AUDIO PROCESSOR

You can change the audio processor from the Audio menu, as illustrated above, or by pressing the SOUND button on the remote. To make a selection using the remote:

- 1. Press SOUND to display the audio processor choice list.
- 2. Point to and select a different audio processor or press CLEAR to exit.



\* This feature is not available on model F19625 and F20625.

# PICTURE QUALITY MENU

**Basic Picture Controls** Displays the five slider controls for adjusting the way the picture looks.

**Contrast** Adjusts the difference between the light and dark areas of the picture.

Color Adjusts the richness of the color.

Tint Adjusts the balance between the red and green levels.

Black Level Adjusts the brightness of the picture.

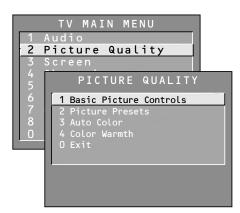
Sharpness Adjusts the crispness of edges in the picture.

When exiting this menu, the *Save Personal Picture Preset* choice list will appear. You can choose either Yes or No. If you save the settings as a Personal Picture Preset, the TV will store the settings so you can reselect them easily if someone changes the settings.

**Picture Presets** Displays a choice list that lets you select one of four preset picture settings: *Bright Lighting, Normal Lighting, Soft Lighting or Personal Picture Preset.* Choose the setting that is best for your viewing environment.

**Auto Color** Displays a choice list that lets you turn on the feature that automatically corrects the color of the picture. (This is especially useful for tracking realistic flesh tone colors as you switch from channel to channel.) Choose *On* or *Off*, depending on your preference.

**Color Warmth** Displays a choice list that lets you set one of three automatic color adjustments: *Cool* for a more blue palette of picture colors; *Normal*; and *Warm* for a more red palette of picture colors. The warm setting corresponds to the NTSC standard of 6500°K.



# SCREEN MENU

**Closed-Caption Display** Displays a choice list that lets you choose the way closed captioning information is shown on the screen.

Off Always No captioning information is displayed.

**On Always** Captioning information is shown always, when available.

**On When Sound is Muted** Captioning information is shown, when available, whenever the TV's sound is muted. (To mute the sound, press the MUTE button.) The captioning information is not displayed when the sound is not muted.

**Closed-Caption Mode** Displays a choice list that lets you choose which captioning mode is used for displaying captioning information.

**Menu Language** Displays a choice list that lets you select your preferred language for the menus: *English*, *Spanish* or *French*.

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# USING CLOSED CAPTIONING

Many programs are encoded with closed captioning information, which lets you display the audio portion of a program as text on the TV screen.

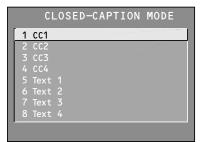
Closed captioning is not available on all channels at all times. Only specific programs encoded with closed captioning information are applicable. When a program is closed captioned, the letters CC are displayed in the channel marker. See the section *Features and Controls* for more information about the channel marker.

### **Closed Captioning Modes**

The TV offers eight closed-captioned modes, including four text modes.

To set the Closed-Captioning Mode:

- 1. Select Screen from the Main menu.
- 2. Point to Closed-Caption Mode and press OK. A choice list displays:



3. Point to your choice and press OK to select it and return to the Screen menu.

### **Turning off Closed Captioning**

- 1. Select Screen from the Main menu.
- 2. Press OK to select Closed-Caption Display.
- 3. Point to *Off Always* and press OK. The closed captioning is turned off and you are returned to the Screen menu.

If you are unsure of the differences among the modes, you may prefer to leave the closed captioned mode set to CC1, which displays complete text of the program in the primary language in your area.

## **USING THE MENU SYSTEM**

### **CHANNEL MENU**

**Signal Type** Displays a choice list that lets you select the current antenna type. This option does not appear when the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System is set up.

**UHF/VHF Antenna** Choose this if you are currently using an off-air antenna for TV signals.

**Cable TV** Choose this if you are currently using cable or a cable box for TV signals.

**Auto Channel Search** Tells the TV to search automatically for all the channels available through the antenna input. When the TV finds an active channel, it places it in the Normal channel list; inactive channels (weak stations or channels with no signal at all) will be removed from the channel list. If you are using a cable box and have set up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System then this option does not appear.

**List and Labels** Displays a control panel that lets you edit your Normal channel list and choose a six-character label for each channel. Follow the on-screen directions to enter your channels and other information.

**Channel #** Use the up and down arrows to scroll up and down through the channels available via your antenna. You can enter the channel number directly using the number buttons.

**Normal List** Only the channels included in the Normal list are available when you scan up and down using the CH<sup>/</sup>/v buttons. Use the up and down arrows to indicate whether the channel number indicated is included (*Yes*) or is not included (*No*) in the Normal channel list.

**Channel Label** Use the up and down arrows to enter a sixcharacter label for each channel. Hold the button down to scroll quickly through the characters. **The TV can store up to 27 labels in memory**.

**Auto Tuning** Displays a choice list that lets you set up the TV to automatically tune to the correct input channel when you press a component button (VCR1, DVD, VCR2, or SAT•CABLE) on the remote.

**Set VCR 1 Channel** Displays a choice list that lets you select the channel that the TV tunes to when you press the VCR1 button.

**Set VCR 2 Channel** Displays a choice list that lets you select the channel that the TV tunes to when you press the VCR2 button.

**Set DVD Channel** Displays a choice list that lets you select the channel that the TV tunes to when you press the DVD button.

**Set SAT/CABLE Channel** Displays a choice list that lets you select the channel that the TV tunes to when you press the SAT•CABLE button.

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	4 Auto Tuning 5 Video Input Source 0 Exit

## **USING THE MENU SYSTEM**

The choices for each screen are:

**Not connected** Choose this if you do not have a component connected to an antenna or video input on the back of the TV, or if you don't want the TV to tune to a channel when the particular component button is pressed.

**Channel 2 (SAT/Cable only)** Choose this if your component is connected to the antenna jack on the back of the TV, and you want the TV to tune to channel 2 when you press the specified component button. Reminder: Make sure the component's Ch 2/3/4 switch is set to channel 2.

**Channel 3** Choose this if your component is connected to the antenna jack on the back of the TV, and you want the TV to tune to channel 3 when you press the specified component button. Reminder: Make sure the component's Ch 3/4 switch is set to channel 3.

**Channel 4** Choose this if your component is connected to the antenna jack on the back of the TV, and you want the TV to tune to channel 4 when you press the specified component button. Reminder: Make sure the component's Ch 3/4 switch is set to channel 4.

**Video Input Source** Choose this if your component is connected to the VIDEO jack on the back of the TV and you want the TV to tune to VID (SVID if you used an S-Video cable) input channel when you press the specified component button. This option is only available for model F20645.

### TIME MENU

**Sleep Timer** Displays a control panel that lets you select the amount of time you want to give the TV before it shuts itself off.

**Schedule** Displays a control panel that lets you set up a schedule for turning the TV on and off automatically. **Make sure to turn the schedule on.** The on-screen directions guide you through the steps needed to set the schedule.

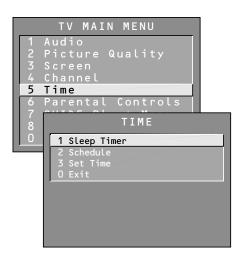
**Set Time** Displays a control panel that lets you enter the current time. The on-screen directions guide you through the steps needed to set the time. If your GUIDE Plus+ Gold System is set up, it will automatically update your time and this option will not appear.

### **OTHER MENUS**

The rest of the menus—Parental Controls, GUIDE Plus+ menu, and Setup—are also detailed in this manual. Look for the GUIDE Plus+ Gold setup routine and the Setup menu in the section *Interactive Setup*. Descriptions of how to use Parental Controls and the GUIDE Plus+ menu are in the section *Features and Controls*.

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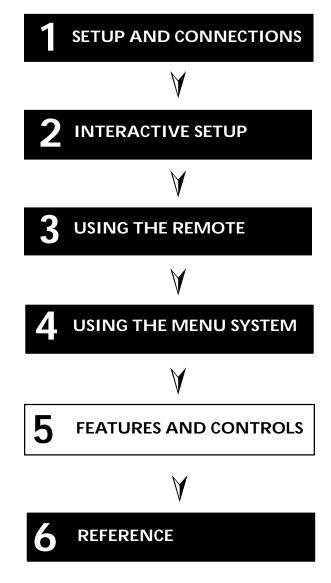
The Video Input Source option is only available for model F20645



# HOW TO USE THE FEATURES AND CONTROLS

This section introduces you to the features and controls with which your TV is equipped. In this section, you will learn how to use:

- The GUIDE Plus+ Gold Menu system
- Parental controls, including V-Chip rating limits



### GUIDE PLUS+ GOLD MENU

You can access the GUIDE Plus+ Gold menu directly by pressing GUIDE on the remote, or by pressing MENU on the remote and then selecting *GUIDE Plus+ Menu.* If you press MENU on the remote, you can access several other features the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System offers:

GUIDE Plus+ Setup Displays the GUIDE Plus+ Gold setup screen.

**Setup** Setting up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System is detailed in the *Interactive Setup* section of the book.

View Demo Runs the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System demonstration.

GUIDE Plus+ Label Displays the GUIDE Plus+ Gold label menu.

On Displays the station name when you change channels.

**Off** Disables the Label feature.

**GUIDE Plus+ Auto Display** Displays the GUIDE Plus+ Gold display options.

**On** Automatically displays the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System when you use the TV button on the remote to turn on the TV.

**Off** Disables the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System from being displayed when you use the TV button on the remote to turn on the TV.

**Continuous Demo** Runs the GUIDE Plus+ Gold demonstration until it is turned off. To end the Continuous Demo, press MENU.

The following sections tell you more about the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System, how to use it, and how it works.

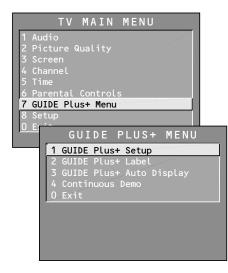
### ABOUT THE GUIDE PLUS+ GOLD SYSTEM

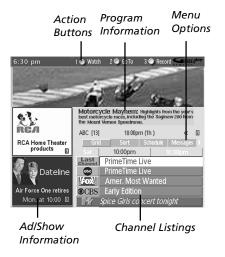
The GUIDE Plus+ Gold System is an interactive on-screen program guide that lists TV schedules for your area and allows your TV direct control of a cable box and VCR. You must first set up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold Menu system in order to view it (see the *Interactive Setup* section for more details).

To bring up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold screen, press GUIDE.

There are five sections to a GUIDE Plus+ Gold screen:

- A row of Action buttons at the top of the screen numbered 1, 2 and 3
- Program information
- A row of menu options
- Channel listings
- Advertising and special show information





### GETTING IN & OUT OF THE GUIDE PLUS+ GOLD SYSTEM

To enter the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System:

• Press GUIDE on the remote.

There are three ways to exit the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System:

- Press OK to exit the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System and tune to the channel highlighted in the Channel listing.
- Press GUIDE to exit the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System and tune to the channel displayed in the video window.
- Press CLEAR to exit the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System and return to the original channel.

### DOWNLOADING DATA

The GUIDE Plus+ Gold System is not available until it completes its first download of program information. When the power is turned off, the TV locates a "host channel" that carries GUIDE Plus+ Gold data containing program schedule and channel mapping information. A channel map is the list of stations and their respective channels.

To ensure that your first download of data is complete, you should leave your TV off overnight. Downloads occur several times a day. *The TV must be turned off for GUIDE Plus+ Gold data to download.* 

If the TV loses power or is unplugged, GUIDE Plus+ Gold program information may be lost. When power is restored, make sure the setup information is still correct. The GUIDE Plus+ Gold program will complete a download at the next available time.

### **Channel Mapping**

If more than one cable company services your area, you may be prompted with a Channel Mapping screen after the first GUIDE Plus+ Gold download. You will need to identify your cable company by selecting the correct channel numbers for the stations in question.

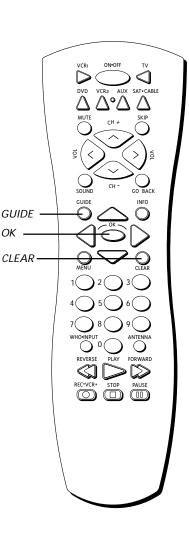
• Use the left and right arrows to change the channel group and press OK when the correct channel group is highlighted.

## THE DIFFERENT GUIDE PLUS+ GOLD SYSTEM MENUS

The GUIDE Plus+ Gold System offers six different options on the Menu bar: GRID, SORT, SCHEDULE, MESSAGES, EDITOR and SETUP. To access the Menu bar:

- 1. Press GUIDE to bring up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold screen.
- 2. Press MENU or use the up and down arrows to highlight the Menu bar. The Grid Guide comes up by default.
- 3. Use the left and right arrows to access other menus.
- 4. Press OK, MENU, or use the down arrow to see the menu options.

Since the program information provided by the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System is based on your locale, you will need to run Setup again if you move.



### **GRID GUIDE**

The Grid Guide appears each time you enter the GUIDE Plus+ Gold menu system. It displays the current programming for each channel. The live program is displayed in the video window.

- Use the up and down arrows to browse channel listings and CH ^/v to page through. Use the right and left arrows to browse future program listings.
- To tune to a channel, highlight the program you want to view in the channel listing and press OK. Press CLEAR to exit the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System and return to the original channel. Press GUIDE to exit the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System and tune to the channel in the video window.

### **Grid Guide Action Buttons**

Action buttons will change according to where you are in the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System. Be sure to look at the action bar before pressing the command numbers.

When highlighting the Channel listings, the following Action buttons are available on the bar:

#### 1 🕥 Watch 2 🔍 GoTo 3 🔍 Record

- Watch Press 1 on the remote to place a timer in the Schedule for the TV to turn on and tune to the program highlighted in the Channel listing. When the TV turns on, the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System will automatically appear with the scheduled program highlighted and tuned in the video window.
- **Go To** Press 2 on the remote to bring up the direct dial box and enter the number of the channel you want. This will highlight the channel and current program in the channel listing of the Grid Guide. Press OK to tune to the highlighted channel. If the video window is unlocked, you can press GUIDE to tune to the channel.
- **Record** Press 3 on the remote to place a timer in the Schedule for the VCR to record the program highlighted in the Channel listing. If you have a cable box, changing channels on the TV will not cause the cable box channel to change while recording.

The Program information window will display a confirmation when you have successfully created a timer to watch or record. If you have selected two programs to watch or record which begin at the same time or overlap, you will receive a timer conflict message. The GUIDE Plus+ Gold System will not schedule a conflicting timer, therefore you must choose between the two programs.

GUIDE Plus+ Gold screens illustrated in this book are representations of what you are likely to see. Not all channels, programs, and GUIDE Plus+ Gold information depicted will be available in your area.

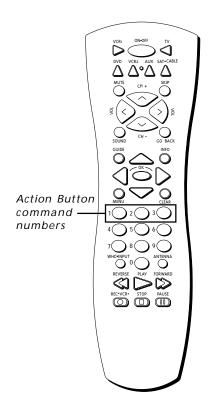
New features and options can be downloaded to the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System, so these too are subject to change.



Grid Guide

Action Buttons

Grid Guide Menu Selection



When highlighting the Channel names (the left column on the Channel listing), the following Action button is available on the bar:

#### 1 🔍 🔒 Lock 2 🔍 Go To 3 🔍

- Lock/Unlock Press 1 to lock or unlock the video window to either stay at one channel as you browse the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System (lock) or change as you browse through different channels (unlock).
- **Go To** Press 2 on the remote to bring up the direct dial box and enter the number of the channel you want. This will highlight the channel and current program in the channel listing of the Grid Guide. Press OK to tune to the highlighted channel. If the video window is unlocked, you can press GUIDE to tune to the channel.

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### SORT

The Sort Menu lets you browse programs by category. The channel to which you are currently tuned is displayed in the video window. To sort:

- 1. Press MENU on the remote to highlight the Menu bar.
- 2. Use the arrows to highlight Sort. When Sort is highlighted for the first time, the *Movies* category is displayed. Thereafter, the last category used becomes the default. A listing of subcategories is displayed below the category name.
- 3. Use the up and down arrows to highlight a subcategory. For example, highlight *All* and press OK.
- 4. When the listing comes up, *All Movies* are displayed. Use the ^ and v arrows to browse the list one at a time. Use CH^ and CHv to browse through the list one page at a time. You can also view the next seven days' programming by pressing the right arrow.
- 5. Select MENU to return to the menu bar, or press GUIDE or CLEAR to exit the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System.

#### Sort Menu Action Buttons

When viewing the results of a Sort, the following Action buttons will appear on the bar:

#### 1 🔍 Watch 2 🕥 3 🔿 Record

- Watch Press 1 on the remote to place a timer in the Schedule, and then follow the on-line help for further options. Placing a timer in the Schedule will cause the TV to turn on and tune to the program highlighted in the Channel listing at the predetermined time.
- **Record** Press 3 on the remote to set the VCR to record the program highlighted in the Channel listing. If you have a cable box, changing TV channels will not cause the cable box channel to change while recording.

Be sure that during the GUIDE Plus+ Gold setup you specified that you have a VCR. If you do not, the RECORD option will not be available.

The program information window will display a confirmation when you have successfully created a timer to watch or record. If you have selected two programs to watch or record which begin at the same time or overlap, you will receive a timer conflict message. The GUIDE Plus+ Gold System will not schedule a conflicting timer; you must choose between the two programs.

### SCHEDULE

The Schedule menu lets you create timers for either viewing or recording programs. The GUIDE Plus+ Gold System allows one-button recording if you have correctly positioned the G-LINK cable wands in front of your VCR. See the *Setup and Connections* section of this manual for more details on positioning the G-LINK cable.

To schedule a program to watch or record:

- 1. Press GUIDE to bring up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System.
- 2. Highlight a program within the Channel listing.
- 3. Select Watch or Record from the Action buttons bar. The timer is then automatically logged into the Schedule menu.
- 4. If you select Record, make sure to place a blank tape in the VCR.

The program information window will display a confirmation when you have successfully created a timer to watch or record.

To remove or change the frequency (daily, once, or weekly) of a scheduled event, access the Schedule Menu from the Menu bar.

- 1. Press GUIDE to bring up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System.
- 2. Press MENU to highlight the Menu bar.
- 3. Use the arrows to highlight the *Schedule* menu selection.
- 4. Use the up and down arrows to highlight the program you want to edit. Then use the Schedule Menu Action Buttons as described in the next section.

#### **Schedule Menu Action Buttons**

When viewing the Schedule menu the following Action buttons will appear on the bar:

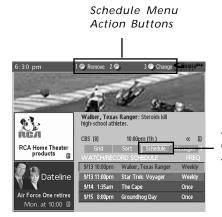
#### 1 🔘 Remove 2 🥥 🛛 3 🔘 Change

- **Remove** Highlight the Watch or Record timer you wish to remove from the schedule and press 1 on the remote.
- **Change** Highlight the Watch or Record timer you wish to change and press 3 on the remote to toggle the frequency between the following choices:

DAILY records the same program each day Monday through Friday.

ONCE records only on that day.

WEEKLY records the program each week at the same time.



Schedule Menu Selection

If you have selected two programs to watch or record which begin at the same time or overlap, you will receive a timer conflict message. The GUIDE Plus+ Gold System will not schedule a conflicting timer, therefore you must choose between the two programs.

#### **MESSAGES**

Occasionally you will receive messages regarding your GUIDE Plus+ Gold System, as well as special programming information. You can access these messages from the Message Menu on the Menu bar.

To read messages:

- 1. Press MENU on the remote to select the Menu bar.
- 2. Use the arrows to highlight the Messages menu selection.
- 3. Highlight the message you wish to read by using the up and down arrows.
- 4. Press INFO to display the full text of the message. If the text continues beyond the screen, press INFO to view the next page of text. Once you have reached the end of the message, pressing INFO closes the expanded information and returns you to the Messages screen.
- 5. Then use the Messages Menu Action Button as described in the next section.

#### **Messages Menu Action Button**

When viewing the Messages menu the following Action button will appear on the bar:

1 💿 Remove 2 💿 3 🕥

• **Remove** Highlight the message you wish to delete and press 1 on the remote.

### EDITOR

You may customize the channel listing by enabling or disabling the display of certain channels. For instance, you may disable channels that you never watch. You can restore disabled channels at a later point in time.

- 1. Press GUIDE to bring up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System.
- 2. Press MENU to highlight the Menu bar.
- 3. Use the right and left arrows to highlight the *Editor* menu selection.
- 4. Use the up and down arrows to select a channel.

Then use the Editor Menu Action Buttons as described in the next section.



Messages Action Buttons

> Messages Menu Selection



Editor Menu

Editor Menu Selection

### **Editor Menu Action Buttons**

While browsing the Editor menu, the following Action buttons are available on the bar:

1 🔘 Cancel 🛛 2 🔍 Change 🕉 🔿 On/Off

- **Cancel** Press 1 on the remote to cancel any changes made since entering the Editor Menu.
- **Change** Press 2 on the remote to change the channel number for the highlighted channel line.
- **On/Off** Press 3 on the remote to toggle the state of the channel between On and Off.

#### SETUP

The Setup Menu lets you access GUIDE Plus+ System setup information. To access the Setup option:

- 1. Press MENU on the remote to highlight the Menu bar.
- 2. Use the arrows to highlight the Setup menu option.
- 3. Use the up and down arrows to select Setup, View Demo, or Options:
  - Setup Displays the GUIDE Plus Gold System setup screens. Setting up the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System is detailed in the Interactive Setup section of this book.
  - View Demo Runs the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System demonstration.
  - **Options** Displays the GUIDE Plus+ Gold autodisplay options.

**On** Automatically displays the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System when you use the TV button on the remote to turn on the TV.

**Off** Disables the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System from being displayed when you use the TV button on the remote to turn on the TV.

### **EXPANDED INFORMATION**

To view more information about a program, advertisement or special, highlight the channel listing or ad/show information box and press the INFO button. Requesting more information about a particular show will also display the PlusCode programming number and the Shows on Next for that channel.

Pressing INFO while highlighting an ad panel will fill the screen with any additional and/or promotional information regarding that particular program.

Pressing the INFO button again exits the expanded information screen.



Ad/Show Information

### TROUBLESHOOTING

Troubles sometimes are caused by simple "faults" that you can correct without a service technician. Here are a few basic remedies:

#### Program information does not download

- Review your setup information and make sure it is correct.
- The TV must be off to download information. Leave your TV off overnight, for at least 10 hours, to receive a download for your area.
- If you are using a cable box, make sure the cable box is on in order to receive program information.

#### Scheduled Watch or Record does not occur

- Check Schedule for timer conflicts.
- Check that the G-LINK wands are positioned correctly.
- Leave your VCR off to record programs.
- Make sure there is a tape in the VCR and that the VCR is properly connected.
- Be sure that during the GUIDE Plus+ Gold setup you specified that you have a VCR. If you do not, the RECORD option will not be available.
- If using a cable box, make sure that you specified during the GUIDE Plus+ Gold setup that you have one. Also make sure you specified the correct cable box type.

### **CHANNEL MARKER**

There are several indicators that may come up when you press the TV or INFO buttons. This display is called the Channel Marker.

**12:01** Displays the current time.

**CC** Displayed when Closed Captioning is available on the current channel.

ESPN Displays the label assigned to the current channel.

**60** Displays the current channel or input channel. If yellow, pressing channel up and down changes this channel.

**Mute (or Stereo)** Mute is displayed when you mute the audio. Stereo is displayed when the current channel is broadcasting in Stereo.

**SAP** Displayed when the current channel is broadcasting SAP (Second Audio Program) information.

Locked Displayed when Parental Controls are locked.

Sleep Displayed when the Sleep Timer has been set.

**00:00** Displayed to count down time left on the commercial skip (SKIP) timer.

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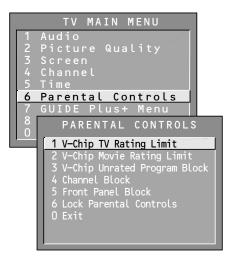
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## PARENTAL CONTROLS AND V-CHIP

The Parental Controls menu allows you to program your TV so that children cannot see certain programs, channels, or use the front panel controls.

The first three choices in the Parental Controls menu involve software inside your TV (dubbed V-Chip) which allows you to block TV programs and movies based on violence, sex, or other content you may believe children should not view. In other words, it lets you program your TV so it will not display certain programs. Once you block programs, you or other adults are not limited to only parent-approved programs; you can unblock programs by entering a password.

The software inside your TV comes turned "off," so if you choose not to implement it, you can just ignore it.



When turned "on," the software reads a code that most broadcasters send with programs. That code tells the software the program's age-based rating (TV-MA, TV-14, etc.) and content themes (Violence (V), Adult Language (L), etc.). If you have blocked the rating and/or content themes that the program contains, you will receive the message, "This channel is not approved for viewing," when you turn to that particular channel. Broadcasters are not required to provide content themes, so programs received with no content themes will only be blocked if you block their age-based rating. You can also block out programs that have been given a rating of "Not Rated," and programs that are considered "unrated" because no code has been sent by the broadcaster.

The TV age-based ratings and content themes you can block are listed in the table below.

Age-Based Rating	Description and Content Themes for Age-Based Ratings
TV-MA	Mature Audience Only. Specifically designed to be viewed by adults and may be unsuitable for children under 17. It contains one or more of the following content themes: <b>crude indecent language (L)</b> , <b>explicit sexual activity (S)</b> , <b>or graphic violence (V)</b> .
TV-14	Parents Strongly Cautioned. Contains some material that many parents would find unsuitable for children under 14. Parents are strongly urged to exercise greater care in monitoring this program and are cautioned against letting children under the age of 14 watch unattended. This program contains one or more of the following content themes: <b>intensely suggestive dialogue (D)</b> , <b>strong coarse language (L)</b> , <b>intense sexual situations (S)</b> , <b>or intense violence (V)</b> .
TV-PG	Parental Guidance Suggested. Contains material that parents may find unsuitable for younger children. Many parents may want to watch it with their younger children. The program contains one or more of the following content themes: <b>some suggestive dialogue (D)</b> , <b>infrequent coarse language (L)</b> , <b>some sexual situations (S)</b> , <b>or moderate violence (V)</b> .
TV-G	General Audience. Most parents would find this program suitable for all ages. It contains little or no sexual dialogue (D), no strong language (L), or sexual situations (S), and little or no violence (V).
TV-Y7	Directed to Children 7 years and older. Designed for children ages 7 and above. It may be more appropriate for children who have acquired the developmental skills needed to distinguish between make-believe and reality. Themes and elements in this program may include mild <b>fantasy violence (FV)</b> or comedic violence, or may frighten children under the age of 7.
TV-Y	All Children. Themes and elements in this program are designed for a young audience, including children from ages 2-6. It is not expected to frighten younger children.

### V-CHIP TV RATING LIMIT

The V-Chip TV Rating Limit lets you decide what TV programs can and cannot be viewed.

To set TV programming limits:

- 1. Choose *Parental Controls* from the Main menu. If Parental Controls have previously been locked, you must enter your password. If they are not locked, you will get a message reminding you that your limits will not be effective until you lock Parental Controls.
- 2. Press MENU to continue.
- 3. Highlight and select V-Chip TV Rating Limit.
- 4. Once you get to the V-Chip TV Rating Limit screen, use the arrows and OK on your remote to change the status of a TV program rating or content theme from *View* to *Block*.

The following sections give you more details about how to change the status of TV program limits.

### The Rating Limit Screen

Below is an example of where items are located within the Rating Limit screen.

#### **Rating Field**

Lets you select from a list of age-based ratings you can block or view.

#### **Rating Status Field**

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Lets you select whether the status of the agebased rating limit to the left is View or Block.

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TV-PG	View	V V V V	content themes to
TV–G	View		view for the selected
TV-Y7	View	V	rating, and whether
TV-Y	View		the status of the
			content theme is
		_	currently View (V) or

#### Rating Settings Area

Lets you see the current block/view state of age-based ratings and associated content. The View (V) settings are coded in green, and the Block (B) settings are coded in red.

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	TV-14	View					
	TV-PG	View					
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	TV-Y7	View					
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Block (B).

### **Blocking Age-Based Ratings**

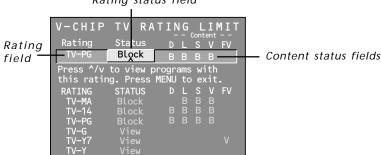
You can automatically block all program ratings above a specified age-based rating level. For example, if you only want your child to watch programs that have a TV-G rating and lower (in other words, you want the child to watch TV-G, TV-Y7, and TV-Y), then you need to block out other programming with higher ratings.

To block programs with higher ratings:

- 1. First, determine the lowest level rating you do not want the child to watch.
- 2. Use the left and right arrows to highlight the Rating Field.
- 3. Use the up and down arrows on the remote to scroll through the age-based rating limits. Keep scrolling until the rating corresponding with the lowest rating you do not want the child to watch appears.

In the example discussed above, you would scroll through the rating field until TV-PG appears, since the highest rating you want the child to watch is TV-G.

- 4. Use the right arrow to move the yellow highlight to the rating status field.
- 5. Press the up or down arrow to toggle between *View* and *Block*. The status for the rating listed to the left and all higher ratings automatically changes to *Block* (and *B*).



Rating status field

When you change the status of a rating to *Block*, the system will automatically block higher ratings and all corresponding content themes.

Hierarchy of Age-Based Ratings				
TV-MA	Mature Audience Only			
TV-14	Parents Strongly Cautioned			
TV-PG	Parental Guidance Suggested			
TV-G	General Audience			
TV-Y7	Directed to Children 7 Years and Older			
TV-Y	All Children			

- 6. Press MENU or OK on the remote to return to the menu or exit the screen when you are finished.
- Select Lock Parental Controls from the Parental Controls menu. Enter a password, and if you have not already set your password, you will be prompted to enter it again to confirm.

### **Viewing Age-Based Ratings**

After you block age-based ratings, you have the option of changing some of the ratings back to View.

- Determine which blocked rating you want to view. 1.
- 2. Use the left and right arrows to highlight the Rating Field.
- 3. Use the up and down arrows to select the rating whose status is Block.
- 4. Press the right arrow to move the yellow highlight to the rating status field.
- 5. Press the up or down arrows to toggle between *View* and *Block*.

Note that the content status fields corresponding to the unblocked rating become View as well. They and the age-based rating status are the only fields that automatically change back to View when you complete this process.

### **Blocking Specific Content Themes**

You can block programs based on their content. (Content is represented by the D, L, S, V, and FV on your screen. See the beginning of this section for details.) When you block a content theme for a particular rating, you automatically block that content theme for higher rated programs as well.

For example, if you do not want your child to watch programs that have adult language (L) rated TV-PG or higher, then you could block out all programming TV-PG and above containing adult language.

To block program content:

- 1. Determine the lowest level of content you do not want the child to watch.
- 2. Use the left and right arrows to highlight the Rating Field.
- 3. Use the up and down arrows on the remote to scroll through the age-based ratings until the rating that corresponds with the lowest content you do not want the child to watch appears. (In the example above, you would scroll through the ratings until the TV-PG rating appeared.)
- 4. Press the right arrow to move the highlight to the field corresponding with the content theme you wish to block out.
- 5. Press the up or down arrow to change content status from V to B. All higher ratings' content theme will automatically change to *B*.

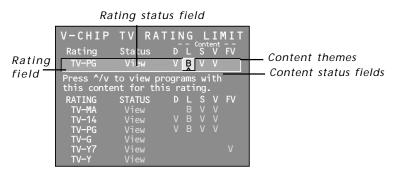
#### Rating status field

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	TV-PG	Block				
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You must remember to lock Parental Controls for rating limits to take effect.

Content Themes		
D	Sexually Explicit Dialogue	
L	Adult Language	
S	Sexual Situations	
v	Violence	
FV	Fantasy Violence	

Broadcasters are not required to provide content themes or age-based ratings. Programs received with no content themes will only be blocked if you block their age-based rating.



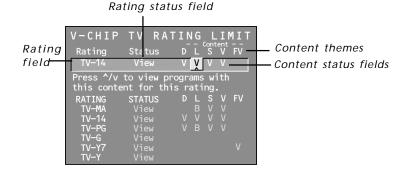
You must remember to lock Parental Controls for rating limits to take effect.

6. Press MENU or OK to return to the menu or exit the screen.

### **Viewing Specific Content Themes**

If you block specific content themes, you have the option of going back and changing some of the content themes back to View (V):

- 1. Determine the content themes you want to change to View (V).
- 2. Use the left and right arrows to highlight the Rating Field.
- 3. Use the up and down arrows to scroll through the age-based ratings until the rating whose content theme you want to change to *View* appears.
- 4. Press the right arrow to move the yellow highlight to a particular content theme status, such as the *B* under language (L) corresponding with TV-14.
- 5. Press the up or down arrows to change its status back to *V*. Your child would then be able to watch programs with TV-14 adult language content, but not programs with TV-PG or TV-MA language content.



Note that only the content theme status corresponding to TV-14 language (L) changes to View (V). Higher rated content themes, such as that for TV-MA language, do not change.

### V-CHIP MOVIE RATING LIMIT

You set movie rating limits by blocking movies rated above a specified level.

### **Blocking Movie Ratings**

If you only want your child to watch movies that have a PG rating and lower (in other words, movies rated PG and G), then you could automatically block out all other movies with higher ratings.

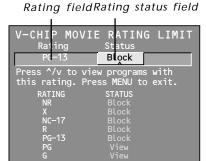
To block movies:

- Highlight the rating field and press the up and down arrows to find the rating that is the lowest rating you do not want the child to watch. (In the example above, you would point to the rating status button corresponding to PG-13, since the highest rating you want the child to watch is PG.)
- 2. Use the right arrow to highlight the rating status field. Press the up and down arrows to change the button from *View* to *Block*. All higher ratings' *View* buttons will automatically change to *Block*.



- 2 V-Chip Movie Rating Limit
  - 3 V–Chip Unrated Program Blo 4 Channel Block
  - 5 Front Panel Block
- 6 Lock Parental Controls
- 0 Exit

Some movies may be given a Not Rated (NR) rating. After blocking movie ratings, you must set NR to View separately to view NR movies.



- 3. Press OK to return to the menu or exit the screen.
- 4. If Parental Controls are not locked, you must lock them so the movie rating limits will take effect. See the section *Locking Parental Controls*.

### **Viewing Movie Ratings**

After you block movie ratings, you have the option of changing some of the rating status buttons back to View:

- 1. Highlight the rating field and press the up and down arrows to find the rating you want to view.
- 2. Use the right arrow to highlight the rating status field. Press the up and down arrows to change the button from *Block* to *View*.

For example, if movies with a rating of PG-13 and higher are blocked, you can change the rating status button corresponding with NC-17. Your child would then be able to watch all movies with a G, PG, and NC-17 rating.

3. Press MENU or OK to exit the screen, and be sure parental controls are locked (see the section *Locking Parental Controls*).

You must remember to lock Parental Controls for rating limits to take effect.

#### Rating field Rating status field

V-CHIP MOV Rating	IE RATING LIMIT Status
NC-17	View
	block programs with Press MENU to exit.
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### V-CHIP UNRATED PROGRAM BLOCK

Selecting this option lets you decide if programs that the V-Chip recognizes as "unrated" can be viewed. Note that "unrated" TV programs may include news, sports, political, religious, local and weather programs, emergency bulletins, public announcements, and programs without ratings.

**View** All unrated programs are available. **Block** All unrated programs are not available.

Don't forget to lock parental controls after you change the status of unrated program viewing. If you do not, the limit will not take effect.

### **CHANNEL BLOCK**

Selecting this option lets you decide what channels can be viewed.

**View** Makes the selected channel viewable. **Block** The front panel and remote control CH (channel) buttons will tune only to channels that you have marked as *View*. The remote will still tune to the blocked channel if you use the digits to access the channel, but the channel will be blocked.

Don't forget to lock parental controls after you change the status of Channel Block. If you do not, the channel block will not take effect.

### FRONT PANEL BLOCK

Selecting this option lets you block (disable) or unblock (enable) the TV's front panel. The remote still tunes to any channel. Front Panel Block can keep children from watching TV when the parent is not present and keep small children from playing with the buttons.

(When using this as a Parental Control method, you should remove access to any remote capable of controlling the television while you have the front panel blocked.)

Don't forget to lock parental controls after you change the status. If you do not, the front panel block will not take effect.

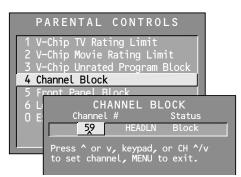
### LOCK/UNLOCK PARENTAL CONTROLS

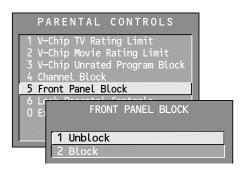
Selecting this option lets you lock and unlock parental controls settings using a password.

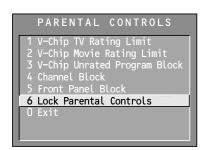
#### If you do not lock parental controls, none of the settings for V-Chip, Channel Block, or Front Panel Block will take effect.

If you forget your password, press and hold TV on the remote and the MENU button on the television simultaneously for 3 seconds. Parental controls will then unlock and you can re-enter a password via *Lock Parental Controls*.

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### TROUBLESHOOTING

Troubles sometimes are caused by simple "faults" that you can correct without the help of a service technician. If you experience any difficulty with your TV, check a few basic remedies before calling your service technician.

#### TV will not turn on

- Check to make sure it is plugged in.
- Check the wall receptacle (or extension cord) to make sure it is "live" by plugging in something else.
- Maybe batteries in remote control are "dead."
- Maybe remote control is not aimed at remote sensor.
- The front panel controls may be locked (disabled). Use the remote control to unlock the front panel controls by selecting the *Front Panel Block* in the Parental Controls menu and choosing *View*.

#### Controls don't work

- If using remote control, make sure remote is in TV mode by first pressing TV button.
- The front panel controls may be locked (disabled). Use the remote control to unlock the front panel controls by selecting the *Front Panel Block* in the Parental Controls menu and choosing *View*.
- Try unplugging set for two minutes and then plug it back in and turn it on again.

#### **Problems with remote**

- Maybe something is between the remote and the remote sensor.
- Maybe the remote is not aimed directly at the component (TV or VCR) you are trying to control.
- Maybe remote is not in TV Mode. Press the TV button so remote will control TV.
- Maybe batteries in remote are weak, dead or installed incorrectly. Try replacing batteries. (Note, if you remove the batteries, you may have to reprogram the remote to control other components.)
- Remove batteries and hold number 1 for at least 60 seconds to drain the microprocessor inside the remote. Release number 1, replace the batteries, and (if necessary) reprogram the remote.

#### Guide comes on when I turn on TV

 The GUIDE Plus+ Gold System automatically comes up when you use the TV button on the remote to turn on the TV. You can turn off this feature by selecting GUIDE Plus+ Auto Display from the GUIDE Plus+ Menu, and setting it to Off.

#### Turns off while playing

- Scheduled Off function may have been activated.
- Electronic protection circuit may have been activated because of a power surge. Wait 30 seconds and then turn on again. If this happens frequently, the voltage in your house may be abnormally high or low.
- Unplug. Wait five minutes. Plug in again.

#### TV turns on unexpectedly

• Scheduled On or Watch from the GUIDE Plus+ Gold System may have been activated.

#### **Blank screen**

- Maybe the component connected to the input jacks is not turned on.
- Try another channel.

#### No sound, picture okay

- Maybe sound is muted. Try pressing volume up button to restore sound.
- Maybe speakers are turned off. Check the Audio Output and Speakers control panel in the Audio menu.
- If using an S-VHS component and you've used an S-VIDEO cable to connect it to the TV, remember to also connect the component's L and R AUDIO OUT jacks to the TV's L and R INPUT jacks.

### Not receiving all cable channels

Make sure you have set up the GUIDE Plus+ menu to recognize your cable box. Select GUIDE Plus+ Menu from the Main
menu, then select Setup from the GUIDE Plus+ menu. Choose "Yes" when asked if you have a cable box. Then select
Setup from the Main menu and make sure to search for all channels when prompted.

### Can't select certain channel

- Channel may be blocked or not approved in the Parental Controls menu.
- If using a VCR, check to make sure the TV/VCR button on the VCR is in the correct "mode."

#### Noisy stereo reception

• May be a weak station. Use SOUND button to change to mono mode instead of stereo.

#### No picture, no sound but TV is on

- Maybe the cable/air setting is set to the wrong position. To fix, select GUIDE Plus+ Menu from the Main menu, select the Setup option, and provide the correct information on the following screens.
- Maybe a vacant channel is tuned.
- If watching VCR (connected only through antenna input), make sure TV is tuned to channel 3 or 4—the same as CH3/4 switch on VCR. Also check to make sure the TV/VCR button on the VCR is in the correct "mode."

#### Sound okay, picture poor

- Check antenna connections.
- Try adjusting sharpness function to improve weak signals.

#### Black box appears on the screen

• Captioning may be turned on and in text mode. Check the Closed-Caption Display control panel in the Channel menu.

#### **GUIDE Plus+ Gold Problems**

- Check to make sure the G-LINK cable wands are positioned in front of the IR sensors on the cable box and/or VCR.
- GUIDE Plus+ Gold System control of cable box is slower than direct control of the box when changing channels.
- You may have an incorrect GUIDE Plus+ Gold Channel Map. The guide may get out of sync with the cable provider. Use the GUIDE Plus+ menu Setup feature to change the zip code to 99999. Turn the TV off for 10 minutes. Use Setup again to change the zip code back to the correct value. If asked, be sure to select the correct lineup.

### **CARE AND CLEANING**

#### CAUTION: Turn OFF your TV before cleaning.

You can clean the TV as required, using a soft lint-free cloth. Be sure to occasionally dust the ventilation slots in the cabinet to help assure adequate ventilation.

The TV's screen may be cleaned with a soft, lint-free cloth as well. Take care not to scratch or mar the screen. If necessary, you may use a cloth dampened with warm water.

## Never use strong cleaning agents, such as ammonia-based cleaners, or abrasive powder. These types of cleaners will damage the TV.

While cleaning do not spray liquid directly on the screen, or allow liquid to run down the screen and inside the TV. Also, avoid placing drinks or vases with water on top of the TV. This could increase the risk of fire or shock hazard or damage to the TV.

**Caution:** If fixed (non-moving) images are left on the screen for long periods, they may be permanently imprinted on the picture tube. Such images include network logos, phone numbers, and video games. This damage is not covered by your warranty. Extended viewing of channels displaying these images should be avoided.

### **RCA TV LIMITED WARRANTY**

What your warranty covers:

• Any defect in materials or workmanship.

For how long after your purchase:

- 90 days for labor charges.
- One year for parts.
- Two years for the picture tubes.

The warranty period for rental units begins with the first rental or 45 days from date of shipment to the rental firm, whichever comes first.

What we will do:

- Pay any Authorized RCA Television Service Center the labor charges to repair your television.
- Pay any Authorized RCA Television Service Center for the new or, at our option, refurbished replacement parts and picture tubes required to repair your television.

How you get service:

- For screen sizes of 26" and smaller: Take your RCA television to any Authorized RCA Television Service Center and pick up when repairs are complete.
- For screen sizes larger than 26": Request home service from any Authorized RCA Television Service Center, provided that your television is located within the geographic territory covered by an Authorized RCA Television Service Center. If not, you must take your television to the Service Center location at your own expense, or pay for the cost the Service Center may charge to transport your television to and from your home.
- To identify your nearest Authorized RCA Television Service Center, ask your dealer, look in the Yellow Pages, or call 1-800-336-1900.
- Show the Authorized Service Center Representative your sales receipt or other evidence of purchase date or first rental.

What your warranty does not cover:

• Customer instruction. (Your Owner's Manual clearly describes how to install, adjust, and operate your television. Any additional information should be obtained from your dealer).

- Installation and related adjustments.
- Signal reception problems not caused by your television.
- Damage from misuse or neglect.
- Batteries.
- Customer replacement fuses.
- Images burned onto the screen.
- A television that has been modified or incorporated into other products or is used for institutional or other commercial purposes.
- A television purchased or serviced outside the U.S.A.
- Acts of God, such as but not limited to lightning damage.

Product registration:

• Please complete and mail the Product Registration Card packed with your TV. It will make it easier to contact you should it ever be necessary. The return of the card is not required for warranty coverage.

How state law relates to this warranty:

• This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you also may have other rights that vary from state to state.

If you purchased your television outside the United States:

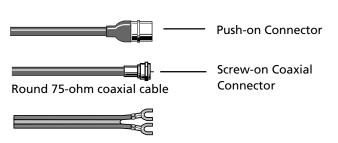
This warranty does not apply. Contact your dealer for warranty information.

Service calls that do not involve defective materials or workmanship are not covered by this warranty. Costs of such service calls are the sole responsibility of the purchaser.

### **Accessory Information**

Antenna (or cable-TV) connections are made with either coaxial antenna cable or twin-lead cable. Coaxial cables are shielded so they are less susceptible to hum or interference from adjacent cables.

Most audio/video connections between components can be made with shielded audio and video cables that have RCA-type phono connectors.



Flat 300-ohm twin-lead cable



Standard Audio/Video cable with RCA-type phono plugs (such as No. VH83)

### **Color-Coded Jacks**

The jacks on the TV's monitor panel are color-coded for ease of use. The video jacks are yellow, the right audio jacks are red, and the left audio jacks are white. When connecting components to each other, be sure that you always connect left outputs to left inputs and right outputs to right inputs. If a component has only one output (mono), connect it to the r/mono input jack.

To connect S-VHS (Super-VHS) components, an S-VHS video cable is required.

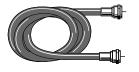


S-Video cable (such as No. VH913)

### **Gold-Plated Jacks and Gold-Tipped Cables**

Gold plating helps prevent oxidation of contacts which provides much less loss than conventional contacts. A complete line of gold-tipped cables is available to help you obtain optimum performance from your equipment. The following accessories are available from most dealers and electronics supply stores in case you want to position your components farther apart or need additional cables.

### Antenna Cables



VH81 (3-ft) VH82 (6-ft)

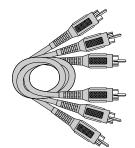


VH89 (6-ft)

### Audio/Video Cables



Gold-Tipped cable VH83 (6-ft)



Gold-Tipped cable VH84 (6-ft)



VH976 (6-ft) VH913 (12-ft)

Screw-on Cable attaches to the round antenna connectors (called 75-ohm F-type) on the back of your VCR or TV. The ends screw onto the connectors for a secure connection.

**Push-on Cable** attaches to the round antenna connectors (called 75-ohm F-type) on the back of your VCR or TV. Ends push on for a quick connection.

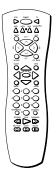
#### Monaural VCR Dubbing

**Cable** Double cable that lets you connect the video and audio jacks of two VHS VCRs to duplicate tapes. Can also be used to connect a VCR to your TV. Cable is color-coded and shielded. Has RCA-type phono plugs on each end.

### Stereo VCR Dubbing Cable Triple cable that lets you

connect the VIDEO and AUDIO jacks of stereo components.

**S-Video Cable** has multi-pin connectors on each end for connecting S-Video components to your TV.



CRK76TE1



Splitter VH47



ANT200

#### Remote Control This is the remote control that came packed with your TV. Replacements or spares can be ordered as needed.

2-way Signal Splitter

helps you connect to a second TV or VCR.

### Amplified VHF/UHF/FM

Antenna allows you to easily switch from the antenna signal to cable or satellite easily without disconnecting antenna.

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**Detach Here** 

Description Screw-on antenna cable (3-ft)	Part No. VH81	Price Qty \$3.95	
Screw-on antenna cable (6-ft)	VH82	\$5.95	
Push-on antenna cable (6-ft)	VH89	\$5.95	
Monaural VCR Dubbing Cable (6-ft)	VH83	\$5.95	
Stereo VCR Dubbing Cable (6-ft)	VH84	\$9.95	
S-Video Cable (6-ft)	VH976	\$7.95	
S-Video Cable (12-ft)	VH913	\$14.95	
2-way Signal Splitter	VH47	\$3.95	
Amplified Antenna	ANT200	\$49.95	
Antenna Mixer	193984	\$11.15	
Remote Control (CRK76TE1)	242524	\$30.35	
Audio•Video Adapter	228449	\$4.45	

Accessory Order Form

Total Merchandise	\$
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We are required by law to collect the appropriate sales tax for each individual state, country, and locality to which the merchandise is being sent.	\$ \$
Shipping and Handling	
Total Amount Enclosed	
Use VISA, MasterCard, or Discover Card preferably.	<u>\$ 5.00</u> <u>\$</u>
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Prices are subject to change without notice.

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- All accessories are subject to availability.
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### **Placing an Order**

To place your order by phone, have your Visa, MasterCard or Discover Card ready and call the toll-free number listed below.

Use this number only to place an order for accessory items listed on this order form.

#### 1-800-338-0376

To place your order by mail, detach and mail the completed order form with credit card information, money order or check in US currency (made payable to Thomson Consumer Electronics, Inc.) to the following address:

Video Accessories PO Box 8419 Ronks, PA 17573

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